IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA WESTERN DIVISION No. 5:07-CV-94-D

PAUL C. YONGO,)
Plaintiff,)
v.	ORDER
NATIONWIDE MUTUAL INSURANCE)
CO., et al.,)
Defendants.)

"The Federal Magistrates Act requires a district court to 'make a de novo determination of those portions of the [magistrate judge's] report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which objection is made." <u>Diamond v. Colonial Life & Acc. Ins. Co.</u>, 416 F.3d 310, 315 (4th Cir. 2005) (quoting 28 U.S.C.A. § 636(b)(1) (West 1993 & Supp. 2005)) (alteration in original & emphasis removed). Absent a timely objection, "a district court need not conduct a de novo review, but instead must only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation." <u>Id.</u> (quotation omitted).

The court has reviewed the record, the briefs, the M&R, and the objections de novo. The court agrees with the findings and conclusions that Judge Gates reached in the M&R. Accordingly, for the reasons stated by Judge Gates, plaintiff's motion for entry of default for failure to respond to discovery [D.E.100] is DENIED.

SO ORDERED. This the 25 day of March 2008.

JAMES C. DEVER III
United States District Judge